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## CANADIAN ASSOCIATION FOR AMERICAN STUDIES MEETS OCTOBER 21-22; LESLIE FIEDLER TO DELIVER PAPER AT S.G.W.U.

The second annual meeting of the Canadian Association for American Studies will be held in Montreal, October 21 and 22, under the joint sponsorship of Sir George Williams University and Loyola College.

At the first session, Friday, October 21 in S.G.W.U.'s new Henry F. Hall Building, the Association will hear Leslie A. Fiedler deliver a paper on "The Jewish Writer in Canada and the United States".

Professor Fiedler was born in Newark, N.J. and completed his undergraduate studies at N.Y.U. (B.A., 1938), his graduate work at the University of Wisconsin (M.A., 1939; Ph.D., 1941). Following military service he was a Rockefeller Fellow at Harvard University, 1946-47. He taught for many years at the University of Montana and is presently Professor of English at the State University of New York at Buffalo. In 1956 he was Resident Fellow and Gauss Lecturer at Princeton University.

Professor Fiedler has frequently lectured abroad. During 1952-54 he held the appointment of Fulbright Fellow and Lecturer at the Universities of Rome and Bologna and again, in 1961-62, at the University of Athens.

Among the literary awards he has received are the Kenyon Review Fellowship in Literary Criticism, the Furioso prize for poetry, and the National Institute of Arts and Letters prize for excellence in creative writing.

As a literary critic he is best known for his discussion of American literature and character in Love and Death in the American Novel (1960) and for the essays collected in An End to Innocence (1955), No! In Thunder (1960) and Waiting for the End (1964). Dr. Fiedler is also the author of Pull Down Vanity, a collection of short stories and the novels The Second Stone and Back to China.

Professor Fiedler serves as associate editor of Ramparts and is a frequent contributor to Poetry, Commentary, Partisan Review, and other publications.

Events of Saturday, October 22 will take place at Loyola College. The complete program is as follows:

Friday, October 21, 1966.

All Friday activities, with the exception of cocktails, will take place in Sir George Williams University's Henry F. Hall Building, Burnside and Bishop Streets.

Beginning 10:00 a.m., Registration, lobby.

1:00 p.m. First Session (Room 420)

Paper: Leslie Fiedler, University of Buffalo, "The Jewish Writer in Canada and the United States".

Commentator: Geoffrey Rans, University of Western Ontario.

3:00 p.m. Second Session

Chairman: Professor H.K. Gerling, York University.

Paper: Roger Seamon, University of British Columbia, "Walt Whitman".

Commentator: Peter Buitenhuis, University of Toronto.

6:00 p.m. Cocktails

Host: U.S. Consulate General  
1558 McGregor  
Montreal, Quebec

8:00 Dinner

Host: Sir George Williams University  
Henry F. Hall Building, 7th Floor

Saturday, October 22, 1966.

Saturday's activities will take place at Loyola College, 7140 Sherbrooke Street West.

9:00 a.m. Third Session

Chairman: Eric Kierans, M.P.P.

Paper: Melville Watkins, University of Toronto, "The American System and Canada's National Policy".

Commentator: John Chant, Queens University.

11:00 a.m. Business Meeting12:00 noon Lunch1:00 p.m. Fourth Session

Paper: Sidney Wise, Queens University, "Canadian Attitudes Towards Jacksonian Democracy".

Commentator: Fernand Ouellet, Carleton University.

3:00 p.m. Fifth Session

Paper: Michael Liebowitz, Simon Fraser University, "Banking Problems in New York State in the Jacksonian Period".

Commentator: Joseph Dorfman, Columbia University.

5:00 p.m. Cocktails

**Note:** For further information, please contact Stephen J. Scheinberg, Assistant Professor of History, at 879-4252.

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